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Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,
*Passed Assistant Surgeon,
Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

[Inclosure.]

Vital statistics of San Juan, P. R., for the month of September, 1902.

Edema of the lungs	1	Measles.....	2
Anæmia.....	1	Meningitis	3
Anthrax	1	Mitral insufficiency	2
Aortic insufficiency	10	Myelitis	1
Arterio-sclerosis.....	1	Nephritis.....	1
Bright's disease.....	1	Old Age.....	1
Bronchitis	3	Pernicious fever	2
Cachexiæ	3	Pneumonia	3
Cancer of the uterus.....	2	Rachitis.....	8
Cerebral congestion.....	1	Serous congestion.....	1
Dropsy	4	Tetanus	3
Dysentery	1	Tuberculosis, pulmonary	11
Endocarditis.....	5	Typhoid fever.....	1
Electrical shock.....	2		
Enteritis	2	Total	98
Entero-colitis	2		
Epilepsy	2	August, 1901—	
Erysipelas.....	1	Births	64
Gastro-enteritis.....	12	Deaths	51
La grippe	1	August, 1902—	
Hepatitis.....	1	Births	78
Intussusception of intestine....	1	Deaths	98
Malaria	1		

Reports from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., *September 29, 1902.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended September 27, 1902. During the week two vessels were inspected, one passed, and the German steamship *Hispania*, from La Guaira, Puerto Cabello, Curaçao, Oquen, and St. Thomas, was held in quarantine. No cargo or passengers for this port. This vessel loaded cargo in quarantine and sailed on the same day. Eight bills of health were issued.

On the 28th instant I invited the physicians of the city and others interested to visit the disinfecting barge and inspect the machinery in operation. They seemed very much interested and pleased that this port should be well equipped.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

PONCE, P. R., *October 6, 1902.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended October 4, 1902. Also the report of the inspection of immigrants for the month of September, 1902.

Two vessels were inspected and passed and 2 bills of health were issued.

The sanitary condition of the city is about the same.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon.

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